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SUBJ: RSO PHILIP HARRICK

REF: STATE 15987

1. RSO TELFORD DEPARTED ABIDJAN IN A RUSH AND PROSPECTS FOR HIS REPLACEMENT ARRIVING BEFORE 4 OR 5 MONTHS LOOKED DIM. NEWLY ARRIVED VOA EMPLOYEE WAS ACTIVELY SEEKING QUARTERS AND TELFORD APARTMENT BEING VACANT, EMBASSY DECIDED TO TRANSFER LEASE TO USIS (VOA) ACCOUNT RATHER THAN CONTINUE TO PAY RENT FOR EMPTY APARTMENT. AT ANY RATE, IT WAS TOO SMALL TO HOLD FOR REPLACEMENT RSO CLARKE IN VIEW OF HIS FAMILY STATUS, UNDERSTOOD TO BE WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN.

2. IF EMBASSY HAS QUARTERS VACANCY WHEN HARRICK ARRIVES, HE CAN BE ASSIGNED TEMPORARILY TO SAID VACANCY. IF NO VACANCY EXISTS, EMBASSY WILL PUT HARRICK IN HOTEL UPON ARRIVAL AND IF QUARTERS VACANCY OCCURS DURING HIS TDY, HE WILL BE AUTHORIZED OCCUPANCY OF SAME.

3. AS BUREAU WELL AWARE, POST FUND STATUS IS CRITICAL AND EMBASSY CERTAIN BUREAU AGREES THAT TO CONTINUE FUNDING EMPTY SPACE WOULD BE UNSOUND FISCAL POLICY. SHOULD BUREAU WISH, HOWEVER, EMBASSY WILL COMMENCE SEARCH FOR PERMANENT QUARTERS FOR RSO CLARKE AND WHEN THESE OBTAINED WILL TRANSFER HARRICK FROM HIS HOTEL INTO SAID QUARTERS. POST MUST HAVE CONFIRMATION CLARKE'S FAMILY STATUS SO THAT ADEQUATE AND SUITABLE HOUSING

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